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SUBJECT: PREPARATION FOR 1974 ITU BROADCASTING CONF

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1. WITH AGREEMENT ON THE CORRECTED MINUTES OF JANUARY 14 MEETING, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES IT IS NOW POSSIBLE TO GIVE CAREFUL STUDY TO BERLIN ASPECTS OF FREQUENCY ALLOCATION PROBLEM. WHILE THERE IS NO IMMEDIATE TIME PRESSURE, WE WISH TO DEVELOP COMMON QUADRIPARTITE POSITION IN NEXT 60-90 DAYS SO THAT FREQUENCIES NECESSARY FOR BERLIN CAN BE MADE INTEGRAL PART OF FRG NEGOTIATING POSITION. US OBJECTIVE IS TO ASSURE WEST BERLIN NEEDS ARE MET AND
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THAT ACCEPTABLE BALANCE MAINTAINED ON FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS

BETWEEN EAST AND WEST BERLIN.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT BONN GROUP IS IN BEST POSITION TO CO-ORDINATE ALLIED POSITION AND PARTICULARLY TO ASSURE THAT FRG FOCUSES ON POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY SHOULD RAISE ISSUE IN BONN GROUP ASKING THAT OTHER THREE ALLIES CONSIDER MATTER CAREFULLY WITH VIEW TO ARRIVING AT QUADRIPARTITELY AGREED POSITION BY END OF APRIL.

3. USIA NOW STUDYING OPTIONS OPEN TO RIAS (GERT-RUSSELL LETTER OF JANUARY 30) AND WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE IN DUE

COURSE.

4. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S EFFORTS TO INFORM WASHINGTON AND INTERESTED POSTS OF DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS MATTER. CASEY

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